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December 15, 1982

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
 THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
 THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE  
 THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
 THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
 THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
 THE DIRECTOR, ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY  
 THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY  
 THE ADMINISTRATOR, NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE  
 ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT: National Space Strategy (U)

The President has approved the attached National Security Study Directive which directs completion of a National Space Strategy by May 31, 1983. The President requests that agencies provide their highest priority to this effort. (U)

In addition to the three SIG(Space) Working Groups currently in existence (Space Station, Space Launch Policy, and Remote Sensing), five additional Working Groups will be formed and chaired as follows: (U)

Organization/Funding	--	NSC (U)
Weapons/Survivability	--	DOD (S)
Commercialization	--	Private Sector Group (U)
Technology	--	OSTP (U)
Planetary Exploration	--	NASA (U)

The area of manned space flight will be integrated into the deliberations of the existing Space Station Working Group. Composition of the Commercialization Working Group will be announced subsequently. (U)

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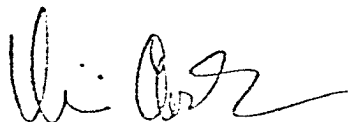
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The IG(Space), chaired by Robert C. McFarlane, will provide central direction for development of the Strategy. Gilbert D. Rye of the NSC Staff will coordinate day-to-day activities. The completed National Space Strategy will be approved by the SIG(Space) and the National Security Council. (U)

FOR THE PRESIDENT:

  
William P. Clark

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